

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 MOSCOW 15676 060939Z
ACTION INR-10

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 PM-05 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15
L-03 H-01 HA-05 CIAE-00 DODE-00 ICA-11 /070 W
-----029429 061015Z /23
P 060934Z JUL 78
FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3952
INFO AMCONSUL LENINGRAD

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MOSCOW 15676

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CGEN, SOPN, UR, US
SUBJECT: LIBEL SUIT AGAINST WHITNEY/PIPER

REF: STATE 168468

1. APPRECIATE SIMIS' EVALUATION, BUT CHECK WITH PIPER
(WHITNEY LEFT JULY 4 FOR VACATION IN STATES) INDICATES
SIMIS PROBABLY OVER-REACTED TO PRESS ACCOUNTS OF SECOND
MEETING WITH ALMAZOV, WHICH TOOK PLACE JUNE 30.

2. ACCORDING TO PIPER, AT THREE MEETINGS WITH ALMAZOV
TO DATE (JUNE 28, JUNE 30, JULY 3) LATTER'S GENERAL
ATTITUDE AND CONDUCT COULD BEST BE CHARACTERIZED AS,
RESPECTIVELY, "BUSINESSLIKE AND CORRECT," "ANNOYED",
AND "ALMOST CORDIAL". ANNOYANCE DURING SECOND MEETING
STEMMED FROM CORRESPONDENTS' INABILITY TO RESPOND
FORMALLY TO CHARGES PRESENTED JUNE 28. ALMAZOV
CHASTIZED NEWSMEN AND GAVE THEM SECOND CHANCE TO RESPOND
(JULY 3), WHICH THEY DID.

3. PIPER SAYS HE FINDS IT EASY TO AGREE WITH SIMIS'
DESCRIPTION OF ALMAZOV AS MAN OF CHARACTER AND BREEDING.
PIPER FOUND HIM "EDUCATED AND CULTURED" AND "NOT JUST
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 MOSCOW 15676 060939Z

A SOVIET HEAVY". CORRESPONDENT ADDED THAT ON DIFFERENT
OCCASIONS ALMAZOV ALMOST SEEMED LIKE THREE DIFFERENT
INDIVIDUALS AND THAT HE THEREFORE GIVES IMPRESSION OF
BEING "GOOD ACTOR." TOON

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: LITIGATION, JOURNALISTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 06 jul 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978MOSCOW15676
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780277-0165
Format: TEL
From: MOSCOW
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780791/aaaacylv.tel
Line Count: 59
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: f86d827a-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION INR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 STATE 168468
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2104731
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LIBEL SUIT AGAINST WHITNEY/PIPER
TAGS: CGEN, SOPN, UR, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/f86d827a-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014